

## REMARKS

Reconsideration of this application as amended is respectfully requested.

In the Office Action, claims 1-30 were pending. Claims 1-5, 11-17 and 23-27 were rejected. Claims 6-10, 18-22 and 28-30 are objected to, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent forms. Drawings were objected. In this response, no claim has been canceled. Claims 1, 6, 16, 18, 26, and 28-29 have been amended. Applicant acknowledges with appreciation the allowance of claims 6-10, 18-22, and 28-30. However, at this time, Applicant elects not to place the limitations of the allowed claims into their corresponding independent claims because Applicant respectfully believes that the revised independent claims are in condition for allowance. No new matter has been added.

Specifically, claims 6, 18, and 28-29 have been amended as independent claims including substantially all limitations of their respective base and intervening claims. As a result, claims 6-10, 18-22, and 28-30 are allowable.

Drawings were objected because of informalities. It is respectfully submitted that the formal drawings will be submitted when the present application is in condition of allowance.

Claims 1, 16, and 26 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Hoffberg et al., U.S. Patent No. 6,418,424 ("Hoffberg").

In view of the foregoing amendments, it is respectfully submitted that the currently pending claims include limitations that are not disclosed or suggested by the cited references.

Specifically, for example, independent claim 1 as amended recites as follows:

1. A computer implemented method, comprising:  
identifying an operation involving a plurality of input values;  
invoking an object associated with the identified operation, the object being predefined based on a type of the identified operation;

performing the operation via the invoked object by invoking a first function member of the object; and  
automatically generating, as a part of the operation via the object invoking a second function member of the object, accuracy information associated with the operation for each of the plurality of input values.

(Emphasis added).

Independent claim 1 includes limitations of invoking an object having a first and second function members to perform the identified operation and to automatically generate accuracy information regarding the performed operation. It is respectfully submitted that the above limitations are absent from Hoffberg. As a result, independent claim 1 is not anticipated by Hoffberg.

Similarly, independent claims 16 and 26 include limitations similar to those recited in claim 1. Thus, for the reasons similar to those discussed above, independent claims 16 and 26 are not anticipated by Hoffberg.

Given that the rest of the claims depend from one of the above independent claims, at least for the reasons similar to those discussed above, it is respectfully submitted that the rest of the claims are not anticipated by Hoffberg.

Claims 2, 3, 14, 15, 24 and 25 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Hoffberg in view of Orton et al., U.S. Patent No. 5,717,877 ("Orton"). Claims 11 and 23 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Hoffberg in view of Anwar, U.S. Patent No. 5,767,854 ("Anwar").

It is respectfully submitted that the limitations set forth above are not disclosed or suggested by the cited references, individually or in combination. Therefore, for at least the reasons similar to those discussed above, the present invention as claimed are patentable over the cited references.

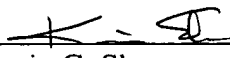
In view of the foregoing, Applicant respectfully submits the present application is now in condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite or assist in the allowance of the present application, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney at (408) 720-8300.

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Respectfully submitted,

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